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# MINUTES OF THE ROCKVILLE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION MEETING NO. 6-2016 Thursday, May 19, 2016

The City of Rockville Historic District Commission convened in the Mayor and Council Chambers on May 19, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

#### **PRESENT**

Emily Correll Anita Neal-Powell Stefanie Tincher

**Absent:** Rob Achtmeyer

Jessica Reynolds

**Present:** Jim Wasilak, Chief of Zoning

Cynthia Walters, Deputy City Attorney Sheila Bashiri, Preservation Planner

# I. AGENDA REVIEW WORKSESSION (Black Eyed Susan Conference Room)

Commissioner Correll moved, seconded by Commissioner Tincher, that Commissioner Anita Neal Powell act as Chair Pro Temp for the meeting, due to the absence of Chair Achtmeyer. The motion passed 3-0, with Commissioners Achtmeyer and Reynolds absent.

Commissioner Neal Powell announced that HDC2016-00788, for an Evaluation of Significance of 108 Park Avenue, had been withdrawn by the applicant and would not be heard at the meeting.

#### II. COMMITTEE / ORGANIZATION REPORTS

- A. Peerless Rockville Nancy Pickard, Executive Director
- B. Lincoln Park Historical Foundation Commissioner Neal Powell
- C. Public Comments/Open Forum
- D. HDC and Staff Comments None.

## III. CONSENT AGENDA

**A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** April 21, 2016

May 5, 2016

## **B. REVIEW AND ACTION:**

**TAX CREDIT HDC2016-00794, Susan McCaffrey**– for a tax credit of \$7,105.00 for maintenance of 307 Baltimore Road. Not approved, as the property is not within a Historic District.

**TAX CREDIT HDC2016-00795, Sinan Wolf-Gazo** – for a tax credit of \$37,749.87 for roof replacement and installation of solar panels at 419 Reading Avenue. Approved.

**TAX CREDIT HDC2016-00796, Erin A. Mahony** – for a tax credit of \$51,359.00 for maintenance of 405 West Montgomery Avenue. Approved.

Commissioner Correll moved, seconded by Commissioner Tincher, to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed 3-0, with Commissioners Achtmeyer and Reynolds absent.

## IV. CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL

**A. HDC2016-00801**, Craig Moloney, CEM Design - for the installation of the original finial on the tower roof of the residence at 409 West Montgomery Avenue.

Ms. Bashiri presented the staff report and recommendation, which was for approval. Ms. Bashiri clarified that the approval was for the final installation only, and not for the roof replacement, which would be considered routine maintenance.

Commissioner Tincher moved, seconded by Commissioner Correll, to approve Certificate of Approval HDC2016-00801, finding that the application meets the Secretary of the Interior Standard #6. The motion passed 3-0, with Commissioners Achtmeyer and Reynolds absent.

## V. DISCUSSION

#### A. Old Business

Ms. Bashiri noted that the National Register nomination for New Mark Commons would be before the HDC at the June meeting.

Commissioner Tincher reported on the recent Design Review joint training session with the City of Gaithersburg, conducted by Scott Whipple on behalf of the Maryland Association of Historic District Commissions (MAHDC).

Commissioner Tincher also reported on the May 14 Rockville 2040 meeting, where she participated in the Historic Preservation workgroup.

Jim Wasilak noted that the Mayor and Council discussed the Chestnut Lodge townhouse proposal on May 16, and instructed staff to prepare a resolution to deny the application. He also noted that the Montgomery County Public Schools held a public meeting on the proposed school bus depot at the Carver Center, which was heavily attended by the public.

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Ms. Bashiri and Ms. Walters noted that the HDC's role is limited to those allowed in the Zoning Ordinance. There had been some discussion on the Chestnut Lodge process about the HDC weighing in on the proposal, which had occurred as a Courtesy Review and would occur as a Certificate of Approval as well.

# **B.** New Business

## VII. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Commission, Chair Achtmeyer adjourned the meeting at 8:02 p.m.